PIERCE COUNTY Special Hotel/Motel Tax Reporting

Effective July 1, 2002, Pierce County locations within the Public Transportation Benefit Area will increase the local sales and use tax by an additional three-tenths of one percent (.003). The increase was approved by public vote during the November 2001 election for transportation.

The tax increase applies to all retail sales in Pierce County **except those charges for lodging that are subject to the 5 percent (5%) hotel/motel tax.** The 5% hotel/motel tax applies to establishments with 26 or more lodging units or hotels and motels in cities which impose the 5% tax on all lodging income. The use tax rate will also increase by an additional three-tenths of one percent (.003).

This increase in tax creates two sales tax rates for hotel/motels in Pierce County and the need for an additional series of location codes to report lodging. Please use the codes and rates below to report the local sales tax on lodging income for businesses that have 26 or more units and/or paying 5% hotel/motel tax:

Location	Location Code Lodging Number		State Sales Tax Rate	Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Tax Rate	Total Tax Rate *
Unincorp. Areas	5100	.013	.065	.004	.082
Unincorp. Areas P.T.BA	5127	.016	.065	.004	.085
Auburn/Pierce	5124	.016	.065	.004	.085
Bonney Lake	5101	.016	.065	.004	.085
Buckley	5102	.016	.065		.081
Carbonado	5103	.013	.065		.078
DuPont	5104	.016	.065	.004	.085
Eatonville	5105	.013	.065		.078
Edgewood	5120	.016	.065	.004	.085
Fife	5106	.016	.065	.004	.085
Fircrest	5107	.016	.065	.004	.085
Gig Harbor	5108	.016	.065		.081
Lakewood	5121	.016	.065	.004	.085
Milton/Pierce	5109	.016	.065	.004	.085
Orting	5110	.016	.065	.004	.085
Pacific/Pierce	5123	.016	.065	.004	.085
Puyallup	5111	.016	.065	.004	.085
Roy	5112	.013	.065		.078
Ruston	5113	.016	.065	.004	.085
South Prairie	5114	.013	.065		.078
Steilacoom	5115	.016	.065	.004	.085
Summer	5116	.016	.065	.004	.085
Tacoma	5117	.016	.065	.004	.085
University Place	5119	.016	.065	.004	.085
Wilkeson	5118	.013	.065		.078

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^{*} NOTE: Above rates do not include the hotel/motel tax or convention & trade center tax

HOW TO REPORT:

Hotel/Motel businesses, with 26 or more units and/or paying the 5% hotel/motel tax, need to use the above location codes to report their local tax on lodging retail sales on the Combined Excise Tax Return. Reporting sales, other than lodging, would still be done using the normal location codes for Pierce County. **The reporting on the remainder of the return does not change.** Below is an example of how to report local retail sales tax on the Combined Excise Tax Return.

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Line No.	Location Code	Taxable Amou	axable Amount		Tax Due City or Co.		New sales tax applies.
18	2717	5,000	00	1.9	95	00	
19	5127	10,000	00	1.6	160	00	
20				Repr	esents only		
21				lodgi	ng sales.		
22							
	TOTAL TAXABLE	15,000	00	TOTAL	255	00	

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